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Mr. William E. Watson, P.E.
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New Hampshire Department of Transportation
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RE: Rockingham MPO 2009-2012 TIP Administrative Modification Amendments (NHDOT Monthly Minor Revisions—April, 2009)

Dear Bill:

We have received the above-referenced request to amend eight projects in the Rockingham MPO <u>FY 2009-2012</u> <u>Transportation Improvement Program</u> under our Administrative Modifications procedures.

The modification proposed is summarized as follows and is more fully described in the attached "2009-2012 STIP Revision Report – April 2009" table which you provided.

April, 2009 Request eight (8) Projects proposed for administrative modification:

Proj. No./ ID#	Location/ Community	Description	Proposed Change(s)	Comment/ Other
BET-RES	Various	Resurface at Various Locations (annual program)	Move \$4 million in ARRA funds to the SSRR project	
СВІ	Various	Complex Bridge Inspection (Parent)	Increase in funds from \$1 million to \$1.36 million	
SSRR	Various	Secondary System Reclamation/ Rehab with Various Pavement Treatments (annual program)	\$4 million of ARRA funds moved from project BET-RES for municipal highway projects and normal Federal aid program funds increased by \$400,000.	
14392	Statewide	Safe Routes To School Program	Preliminary engineering increased for individual projects. Total \$110,000.	Informational Revision
CRDR	Statewide	Culvert Replacement/ Rehabilitation and Drainage Repairs (annual project)	\$450,000 in additional funding added for projects	Informational Revision
P8903	Statewide	Recreational Trails Fund Act – Projects Selected Annually	\$260,000 in Additional funds for 2009 projects.	Informational Revision
PRRCS	Statewide	Pavement Resurfacing, Rehabilitation & Crack Seal Program & Related Work (annual federal resurfacing program)	\$1.5 million in additional funds for 2009 projects	Informational Revision
USSS	Statewide	Update Signing on State System (annual project)	\$100,000 in additional funds for 2009 projects.	Informational Revision

We concur that these projects are eligible for amendments through the Administrative Modification process. Our TIP Amendment procedures (Section 6.5, MPO <u>Prospectus</u>) allow such modifications by action of the Executive Director provided that no exceptions are raised by MPO members. MPO TAC and Policy members were notified by email of the proposed modifications on April 24, 2009. As of the close of business April 28th, 2009, I received no requests from MPO members that the change be handled as a full amendment.

It was determined through Interagency Consultation (IAC) that the revisions do not impact the air quality conformity determination or change the financial constraint of the STIP. Based on this information, the administrative modifications are approved. By copy of this letter I am informing the New Hampshire office of the FHWA, Region 1 of FTA and NHDES — Air Resources Division of this action.

Please contact me should you have any questions about our actions.

Sincerely,

Cliff Sinnott

Executive Director

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